



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Roel OTTO

Group Art Unit: 1651

Application No.: 10/755,392

Examiner: L. BARNHART

Filed: January 13, 2004

Docket No.: 114698

For: PREPARATION OF LACTIC ACID FROM A PENTOSE-CONTAINING  
SUBSTRATE

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the October 13, 2005, Office Action, the shortened statutory period for  
reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the  
following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**